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Re: Objections to General Wage Order No. 51

Dir Sirs/Mesdames:

On behalf of Local Union No. 101 of the International Union of Operating Engineers, and pursuant to 8 CSR 20-5.010, an objection is hereby filed regarding General Wage Order No. 51, which was issued by the Division of Labor Standards on or about June 29, 2007. This letter and all supporting documents are being filed in triplicate with the Commission. The Union specifically objects to the prevailing wage rate set under General Wage Order No. 51 for Group I operating engineers in Area 5 (Greene County).

## WAGE RATES FOR STATE HWY. CONSTRUCTION

Rates Listed

Proposed Rates

Greene County (Group I)

\$15.50 / \$0.00

\$23.02 / \$10.45

In support of the Union's objections, enclosed please find the following documents:

EXHIBIT A - Agreement between Associated General Contractors of Missouri and Operating Engineers Local No. 101 (May 1, 2006 to April 30, 2010). This CBA establishes the total compensation package for highway work in Greene County.

EXHIBIT B - Outlying Areas Wage & Fringe Benefit Rates Effective 7/1/2007. This notice advises employers how to allocate the total compensation package between wages and fringes for highway construction work performed in Greene County, effective July 1, 2007.

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The Union is in the process of compiling payroll documents from signatory contractors to verify that numerous working hours were performed in the disputed county under the relevant collective-bargaining agreement during the past year. These documents, in conjunction with the enclosed exhibits, demonstrate that the correct wage and fringe-benefit rates for Group I operating engineers working in Greene County are currently those specified above. The payroll documents will be furnished to the Commission and the Division of Labor Standards as soon as practicable.

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this letter of objection, along with a copy of each of the enclosures, has been mailed this date, postage prepaid, via United States Mail, to the Division of Labor Standards, P.O. Box 449, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-0449. Because the subject of this objection is a General Wage Order rather than a specific wage determination, there is no "requesting party" to whom a copy need be sent.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. Should you have any questions with regard to the enclosed documents or anything asserted herein, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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